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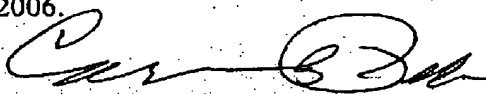
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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: George A. Pavlath EXAMINER: Dinh D. Chiem  
SERIAL NO.: 10/718,346 GROUP: 2883 CONF. NO. 1241  
FILED: 11/20/2003 DOCKET: NGC-153/000060-199  
TITLE: LONG PERIOD BRAGG GRATING OPTICAL SIGNAL ATTENUATION

**CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION**

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being sent via facsimile transmission to Commissioner for Patents, Mail Stop RCE, Group Art Unit 2883, Attention: **Dinh D. Chiem**, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, at fax number (571) 273-8300, on November 30, 2006.



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Date of Signature: November 30, 2006

Commissioner for Patents  
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Attention: Examiner Dinh D. Chiem  
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**BEST AVAILABLE COPY****PETITION FOR A TWO MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**  
**UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)**

Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby request a Two Month Extension of Time within which to respond to the Office Action mailed July 7, 2006.

For the two-month extension of time (Large Entity), the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the Carmen B. Patti & Associates, LLC **Business Credit Card** the fee of **\$450.00**. In the event of under or overpayment, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge or credit the Carmen B. Patti & Associates, LLC Business Credit Card the amount necessary to correct the error.


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Please contact the undersigned if there are any questions.

Respectfully submitted,



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Dated: November 30, 2006

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